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High thermal conductivity composite useful as heat sink - comprises highly oriented graphite flakes in a

polymeric binder

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A composite composition comprises particles of highly oriented graphite in the form of flakes having an hexagonal crystal orientation and an aspect ratio of at least 5:1 and a binder which, when polymerised under compression, forms a solid with high thermal conductivity and low density. USE - The composition is suitable for use as a heat sink in high power electronic assemblies and component sor in individual integrated circuits. ADVANTAGE - The ratio of thermal conductivity to mass density for a composite formed in accordance with the present invention is much higher than for copper or aluminium. Dwg.0/4